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IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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: EXAMINER: TELLER, R.R.

SERIAL NO: 09/994,617 :

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1654

FOR: HIV-SPECIFIC CTL INDUCING PEPTIDES AND MEDICAMENTS FOR  
PREVENTING OR TREATING AIDS COMPRISING THE PEPTIDES

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this response.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 5 of this response.

**Support for the Amendment** begins on page 7 of this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this response.